

Syusaku Endo Literature Museum

The **Syusaku Endo Literature Museum** (遠藤周作文学館, *Endō Shūsaku Bungaku-kan*) is a museum dedicated to the life and work of Japanese novelist Shusaku Endo. It is in the Sotome district in the northwestern part of the city of Nagasaki. Sotome is famed as the home of the hidden Christians and served as the scene for Endo's novel *Silence*.

Established in May 2000, the museum displays Endo's books, manuscripts, letters, photographs and favourite possessions including his writing desk, his Bible and rosary, and a statue of Mary inherited from his mother and kept at his bedside throughout his life.

The museum looks out over the Gotō Sea and Shitsu Culture Village, where a monument stands to *Silence*. It is inscribed with the words "Humanity is so sad, Lord, and the ocean so blue."



Exterior of the museum

External links

- Official website (<http://www1.city.nagasaki.nagasaki.jp/endou>) (in Japanese)

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